

This energy tax will drive those businesses away or out of business, losing American jobs, because it is not considering the long-term economic impact, let alone the lack of environmental veracity. A familiar positive story that we hear throughout our Commonwealth is low energy creates jobs.

ABC NEWS IS BECOMING OBAMA NEWS

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, the national health care program that is advertised by the administration, they estimate it will cost \$1 trillion just to insure one-third of the uninsured in this country. So it is going to cost \$3 trillion if you add all of those people to the health care rolls, money that we just don't have.

The thing that bothers me is ABC News over the next week is going to be advertising a 2-hour infomercial that is going to take place by the President at the White House in the next week. They are doing this at the White House. ABC is actually moving into the White House to advertise this for the President.

You know, the President is on television every single day, and it is pretty obvious that CBS, NBC and CNN are all very supportive of the President. They are advocating everything he is talking about. But ABC is going overboard. They are absolutely flipping by going to the White House and supporting and advertising for the President's program.

I think this is just dead wrong. It is okay to be supportive of the President, but I don't think ABC should become Obama news.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GEORGETOWN MILL

(Mr. BROWN of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the International Paper Mill in Georgetown, South Carolina, for recently reaching a safety milestone of logging 4 million safe work hours without any employees missing work due to injuries sustained on the job.

This is not an easy task with nearly 700 employees working at the paper mill daily, and it is obvious that the team in Georgetown has been working hard to develop new ways to proactively prevent accidents.

"Our goal is to leave work every day in the same or better condition than we arrived, for ourselves and for our families," said Debbie Feck, mill manager.

Recently, employees at the mill implemented a new personalized safety process focusing on people acting, car-

ing and thinking safely, or PACTS for short. They see this as a great way to focus on safety, but also realize that there is no single action that can create the ultimate safe environment, and everyone must work together to achieve this goal.

Congratulations to the Georgetown Mill team. I speak for myself and everyone in the First District when I say we are proud of you and encourage the team to keep working toward those safety milestones.

SUPPORTING DISSIDENT IRANIAN IN THEIR QUEST FOR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY

(Mr. PENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, for the fifth day in a row, hundreds of thousands of Iranian citizens have taken to the streets on behalf of free elections and democracy. Sadly, the response by the Iranian government has been more oppression and violence against its own people, deaths confirmed, hundreds of citizens beaten, and foreign journalists intimidated and banned from the streets. We are witnessing a Tiananmen in Tehran.

While I respect the fact the President of the United States has denounced the violence, that he has said the protestors had a right to be "heard and respected," this administration has not yet expressed the unqualified support of the American people for those who are courageously taking to the streets on behalf of self-government and free elections in Iran.

Yesterday, I introduced House Resolution 549, a resolution that would give voice to countless Americans who want our Nation to support the dissidents in Iran who are struggling for their own freedom.

The American cause is freedom. In this cause, America must never be silent. I urge my colleagues to cosponsor this important resolution and bring it to the floor this week.

UNACCEPTABLE ATTACK ON GOVERNOR PALIN'S DAUGHTER

(Mr. STEARNS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STEARNS. Madam Speaker, the late Senator Daniel Moynihan published a paper on defining deviancy down in which society lowers its standards whereby unacceptable conduct becomes acceptable.

I recently heard from a number of my constituents about the abusive attack on Governor Sarah Palin's 14-year-old daughter. I also read about this and was just as upset as they were. Governor Palin and her 14-year-old daughter had attended a Yankees game and David Letterman told a totally inappropriate joke about them.

I recall that last year, David Shuster made an inappropriate comment about Chelsea Clinton, the daughter of Bill and Hillary Clinton. The president of NBC apologized and suspended Shuster from the network. The Palin family received a belated apology a week later.

I hope the host, David Letterman, realizes that children should not be the targets of sexually charged jokes. We must not allow the unacceptable to become the acceptable.

DOCTOR-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP AND RESEARCH ACT

(Mr. HERGER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to protect the doctor-patient relationship. President Obama and many congressional Democrats have been pushing for government-run health care. Looking at the results of government-run plans across the world, it is a mistake we simply cannot afford. Government-run health care will be bad for doctors, bad for patients, and bad for the taxpayers.

That is why I introduced legislation to ensure that Washington bureaucrats do not use comparative effectiveness research to make health care decisions for you based on cost. The Doctor-Patient Relationship and Research Act focuses on the two most important people in the health care system, the patient and their doctor.

I urge my colleagues to join me in protecting Americans from government-run health care.

PUTTING PATIENTS AND DOCTORS IN CONTROL

(Mr. BOUSTANY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BOUSTANY. Last week, congressional Democrats unveiled several sweeping overhauls of American health care. Each of their plans includes a government-run bureaucracy that would put red tape between patients and their doctors.

I saw this firsthand as a doctor when patients with government-run Medicaid coverage often after heart surgery had difficulties finding doctors for follow-up care. A failure to get follow-up care after heart surgery is a great way to guarantee a poor quality result for patients and higher cost for taxpayers. Far too often, patients in our current government-run programs lack real access to a doctor, leaving them out of the system.

Today, House Republicans put forward a commonsense plan to revitalize the American health care system and improve quality. Our plan puts patients and their doctors back in control of their health care destiny. Our plan makes health care more affordable and more accessible, with patients able to see a doctor of their choice.